MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES POST OFFICE BOX 451 JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT NUMBER W15 3450(I)

TO:

The Honorable Delbert Hosemann

Secretary of State Post Office Box 136 Jackson, MS 39205 AND

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on April 8, 2010, under authority of Section 25-43-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to adopt the following wildlife management area regulations for the 2010-11 hunting year. This was done under authority of Sections 49-5-13 and 49-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W14 3450 is hereby repealed, and the following 2010-11 wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

2010-2011 Regulations for Lake George Wildlife Management Area

Yazoo County

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1	Nov. 19	Does and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Nov. 13	Nov. 19	Does and legal bucks.
Gun	Nov. 20	Dec. 1	WITHOUT DOGS. Does and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2	Dec. 15	Does and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16	Jan. 19	WITHOUT DOGS. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Jan. 20	Jan. 31	Does and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Oct. 9	Oct. 15	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 16	Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 2	Sep. 25	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations		
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.		
RABBIT	Oct. 16	Feb. 28	

QUAIL

Nov. 25

Mar. 5

DOVE

See Federal Regulations.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR LAKE GEORGE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT NUMBER W15 3450(I)

WMA USER PERMIT: All persons using this wildlife management area, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license, must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits.

PERMIT STATIONS: All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card from a self-service permit station. Parts A and B of this permit must be legibly filled out before using the WMA. Part A of the permit must be deposited in the return box at a permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle so that the name, address, and date are visible from outside the vehicle. Permits are invalid if not properly dated or if date has been changed. Before leaving the WMA, visitors must complete the reverse side of Part B of the permit and deposit it in the return box at a permit station. It is the responsibility of the Area Manager and other Agency personnel to have permit cards completed.

DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA headquarters by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA. If WMA personnel are not available to check the deer, the hunter is responsible for collecting and legibly recording ALL biological data. Instructions and equipment will be provided.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 15 inches OR one main beam length of at least 18 inches. For hunters less than 16 years of age, one of the three buck bag limit may be any buck.

DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1-Feb. 28, 2011.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Only rimfire rifles .22 caliber or smaller or any caliber handgun may be used when hunting hogs with dogs.

OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: Off-road motorized vehicles/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off road use of ORVs/ATVs is allowed for retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. No loaded weapon may be in possession when retrieving harvested game.

HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer seasons. At all other times horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on entire area during nighttime hunting hours.

CAMPING: No camping allowed.

BEARS: Black bears may occur on this WMA. They are federally protected as a threatened subspecies. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings on your daily visitor use permit.

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

Anyone wishing to comment on the above proposed action may do so in writing to the Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, P. O. Box 451, Jackson, MS 39205, no later than May 10, 2010.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY:

Bryan Jones, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY:

Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director